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Andrew Jackson to Amos Kendall, April 19, 1843, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

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Hermitage, April 19, 1843.

My dear Sir, I have just recd. your letter of the 10th inst. with the Map enclosed, to which I have bestowed my attention. Your Map is inaccurate. 1

1 Map or maps which, after correction by Jackson as above, appear as the map opposite p. 12 in No. 1 of Kendall's Life of Andrew Jackson. This is a map of the Waxhaw district with Jackson's birthplace marked at the home of Robert Crawford. Jackson himself says (III. 265, ante) "at the plantation whereon James Crawford lived". Both Robert and James had houses on that plantation.

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The South West corner of the North Carolina line was a stake one inch [mile?] south of the crossing of the Waxhaw Creek. Major Robt. Crawfords house on the hill near the crossing on the road leading from Charlott to Camden, from the Cedar Stake northward, the dividing line of the States of North and South Carolina. Major Crawfords house and plantation west of the road (the line) and in So. Carolina, the house where I was born, one mile north of Major Crawfords, and about 3/4 of a mile west of the road (the line) marked on Map No. 1. The meeting house was three miles, south west direction, from Maj. Crawfords—No. 2 Capt. Lands, as well as my memory serves me, was south west from Lands ford on the Catuba river, about eight Miles distant. Bufords defeat was within North Carolina, on a ro[a]d east of the road leading from Charlott to Camden. I make these

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remarks, that you may correct your Map, making the road the line northward from the Cedar stake, One Mile South of the crossing of the Waxhaw Creek, until the point where the road enters into North Carolina, at McCapins Creek, I have marked Major Crawfords house on the No. 4. I am very feeble and regret that you are still occasionally visited with your sick headache, am glad [to] hear that your general health is better.

I placed in the hands of Col. Harris the other day, to be handed to you, such of Genl. Coffee's papers, as have come to my hands. you will find some of my orders and letters to the General, which I supposed may not be copied in my letter book, for a general who fites much, has but little time to write or copy letters, or orders. The general who writes much, never fights a great deal.

I feel grateful to the committee and Legislature of Louisiana, for the justice it has done me. 2 I enclose its proceedings as it puts an end to Mr. Botts slanders, "That I had received the whole of the fine" 3

2 The Louisiana legislature, Apr. 3, 1843, resolved that, if Congress did not in the existing session provide for repayment to Jackson of the fine, Louisiana would do so.

3 The reference is to Botts's speech of Jan. 24, 1843. See p. 190, note 2, ante.

Your friend sincerely